In the Abstract

Please substitute the following amended Abstract for the Abstract as currently pending (deleted matter is shown by strikethrough and added matter is shown by underlining):

~~A veterinary syringe is proposed, comprising a base body (2), on the front side of which a syringe barrel (5) receiving the medicament is arranged while a guiding element (10) for a plunger rod (7) that is guided therein so as to be movable in a longitudinal direction is arranged on the rear side thereof, and one end of said plunger rod (7), to which a plunger (8) is attached, extends into the syringe barrel (5), said syringe further comprising a handle (4) for holding the syringe (1), an operating lever (13), one end (14) of which is pivotably attached to the lower part (15) of the handle (4) while the other end (16) thereof is guided within the bottom side (3) of the guiding element (10) and engages with a toothed rack (11) via a spring biased catch (12), said toothed rack (11) being disposed on the bottom side of the plunger rod (7), and a locking device (27) for the plunger rod (7) which engages with the toothed rack (11) is provided as a locking slider (29) disposed inside the guiding element (10) so as to be movable in a vertical direction at the end thereof, is provided with an opening (32) through which the plunger rod (7) is guided and extends into the toothed rack (11) from below, locking said toothed rack (11) so as to prevent it from withdrawing, wherein said locking slider (29) can be moved from the locked position into a released position for the toothed rack (11) and can be maintained in said released position by means of an actuator, characterized by the locking slider (29) being extended so as to protrude out of the bottom of the guiding element (10) toward the operating lever (13), said extension comprising a bore (33), by a locking pin (34) being provided on the operating lever (13), which is arranged parallel to the plunger rod (7), and by the locking pin (34) extending into the bore~~

~~(33), in the resting position of the operating lever (13), when the locking slider (29) is pressed down through the guiding element (10) all the way to the locking pin (34) against the force of a spring (31).~~

A veterinary syringe comprises a base body for receiving a syringe barrel with a guiding element for a plunger rod that is guided therein so as to be movable in a longitudinal direction. At one end of the plunger rod, a plunger is attached that extends into the syringe barrel. The syringe further comprises a handle and an operating lever. The operating lever is connected to a guiding element that engages with a toothed rack associated with the plunger rod, and with a locking device for the plunger rod that engages with the toothed rack. The locking device acts as a locking slider disposed inside the guiding element and has an opening through which the plunger rod is guided and extends into the toothed rack from below, locking the toothed rack so as to prevent it from withdrawing.